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1. Headquarters of the Chinese Communist 4 Field Army in the eastern military district (sic) was in the former Japanese army barracks in Kutanchiang (129-37, 44-35). A large number of Soviet advisers were observed in the area. The airfield at the city was being used strictly for training an international air force. Chinese, Japanese, Korean and Mongolian pilots were being trained there. Since the beginning of the Korean war, Soviet troops have moved into many military installations in this area. At the Kutanchiang railroad station many Soviets were observed, including Soviet women supervisors.
2. The Kutanchiang Military Administration Academy was in the former Japanese middle school in the city.
3. An extremely large number of Soviet troops were stationed between Suiyang (130-50, 44-28) and Kutanchiang under the pretense of guarding the railroad. The trains ran on schedule, stations were clean, and loudspeakers and radios were installed in all stations for propaganda. A large number of posters encouraging youth to enlist in the army and assist their Korean brothers were observed everywhere.
4. In August 1951 the Chinese Communists organized the 5 Field Army; as of 7 - 15 October it was equipped with Soviet arms, and comprised four armies of the same size as an infantry army and four mechanized corps of the same size as a Soviet mechanized corps.

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regiment, which were included in the 5 Field Army strength, in Korea
in mid-September.

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